

Mississippi State Department of Health Mississippi Trauma Advisory Committee Minutes

June 24, 2008

A meeting of the Mississippi Trauma Advisory Committee was held at 10:00 a.m. on June 24, 2008, in the Osborne Auditorium of the Mississippi State Department of Health, 570 East Woodrow Wilson, Jackson, Mississippi. Committee member attendance was as follows:

Present:

William T. Avara, III, MD
Rodney Frothingham, MD
Robert Schmeig, Jr. MD
Norman Miller, PhD
Amber Kyle, RN
G. Douglas Higginbotham
K.C. Hamp, Sr.
Clyde Deschamp, NREMTP, PhD
Ben Yarborough, MD
Jerry Howell

Absent:

Board Members present via telephone:

John Nelson, MD
Bennie Wright, MD

MSDH Staff Members Present:

Alisa Williams
Karey Riddle
Michelle Bankston
Val Caston
Hope Ladner

Jim Craig
Keith Neal
Art Sharpe
Scott Stinson

- **Call to Order – Dr. Avara:** Dr. William Avara, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Minutes of previous meeting were approved by acclamation.
- **House Bill 1405 – Jim Craig:** Jim Craig gave a review of House Bill 1405, as signed by Governor Barbour, emphasizing changes in fines and fees that will increase trauma funds.
- **Trauma Rules and Regulations – Jim Craig:** Jim Craig presented a review of proposed changes in the Trauma Rules and Regulations. Areas

covered included the Pay or Play System, mandatory participation in the trauma registry, and the paper assessment tool for trauma facility level of participation determination. The rules changes were approved by the committee.

- **Review and Approval of Trauma Center Inspection Reports
– Jim Craig**

Level I – III Trauma Center reports were presented individually in executive session.

Level IV Trauma Centers were considered as a group by Trauma Region in executive session.

- **Date of Next Meeting: August 26, 2008, at 10:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held in the Underwood Auditorium.